



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGION 5  
77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD  
CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

February 7, 2012

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF

SR-6J

**CERTIFIED MAIL: RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Mr. Winston E. Calvert  
Armstrong Teasdale LLP  
770 Forsyth Boulevard, Suite 1800  
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Re: General Notice Letter and Information Request for Chemetco Superfund Site

Dear Mr. Calvert:

As you know, U.S. EPA sent out General Notice Letters and Information Requests on November 30, 2011. We received your correspondence of January 16, 2012 on behalf of Totall Metal Recycling Inc. stating that Totall did not receive an Information Request. The Information Request was Enclosure D of the General Notice Letter. Our records indicate Totall did receive the package on December 5, 2011 (see attached receipt). U.S. EPA extended the deadline to respond to the Information Request for all parties to March 3, 2012. For your convenience, I enclose another copy of the package.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michelle Kerr", is positioned above the typed name.

Michelle Kerr  
Remedial Project Manager  
Superfund Division

Enclosures

cc: Thomas Martin, EPA

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Patrick M. Flynn  
23 Public Square #440  
Belleville, IL 62220

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1. Article Addressed to:

Toben Suarez  
President  
Total Metal Recycling, Inc.  
2700 Missouri Avenue  
Granite City, Illinois 62040-2029

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Hilary Sanford

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C. Signature

x Hilary Sanford

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**GENERAL NOTICE LETTER**  
**URGENT LEGAL MATTER**  
**PROMPT REPLY NECESSARY**  
**CERTIFIED MAIL: RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

**COPY**

Toben Suarez  
President  
Totall Metal Recycling, Inc.  
2700 Missouri Avenue  
Granite City, Illinois 62040-2029

**FEB 07 2012**

Re: General Notice and Information Request for the Chemetco Superfund Site in Hartford,  
Illinois

Dear Mr. Suarez:

Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), commonly known as the federal "Superfund" law, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is responsible for responding to the release or threat of release of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants into the environment – that is, for stopping further contamination from occurring and for cleaning up or otherwise addressing any contamination that has already occurred. EPA has documented that such a release has occurred at the Chemetco Site (Site) located in Hartford, Illinois. EPA has spent, or is considering spending, public funds to investigate and control releases of hazardous substances or potential releases of hazardous substances at the Site. Based on information presently available to EPA, EPA has determined that you may be responsible under CERCLA for cleanup of the Site or costs EPA has incurred in cleaning up the Site.

**Explanation of Potential Liability**

Under CERCLA, specifically Sections 106(a) and 107(a), potentially responsible parties (PRPs) may be required to perform cleanup actions to protect the public health, welfare, or the environment. PRPs may also be responsible for costs incurred by EPA in cleaning up the Site, unless the PRP can show divisibility or any of the other statutory defenses. PRPs include current and former owners and operators of a Site, as well as persons who arranged for treatment and/or disposal of any hazardous substances found at the site, and persons who accepted hazardous substances for transport and selected the site to which the hazardous substances were delivered.